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**SUTHERS BECOMING SECOND LONGEST-SERVING ATTORNEY GENERAL IN
COLORADO HISTORY**

DENVER — On January 5, 2013, John Suthers will begin his ninth year as Colorado's Attorney General and in the process become the second longest-serving Attorney General in state history. Only Duke Dunbar, who served 22 years from 1951-1973, had a longer tenure as Colorado Attorney General. Suthers was appointed the state's 37th Attorney General by Governor Bill Owens upon the election of Ken Salazar to the U.S. Senate. Suthers was sworn in on January 4, 2005, and was subsequently confirmed by the State Senate. He won election to the office in 2006 and 2010. He is term limited and will leave office in January of 2015 after 10 years. No other Attorney General has served longer than eight years.

The following statement is to be attributed to [Colorado Attorney General John Suthers](#) in reaction to this milestone.

"It's been my great privilege to serve as Colorado's Attorney General for the past eight years and play a small part in the history of our great state. The wide range of issues this office has been involved with over this period are matters of great importance to Colorado citizens. Those issues include internet safety, mortgage and foreclosure fraud, the clean-up of hazardous waste sites, drug abuse prevention and protecting Colorado's water interests. The litigation the office has been involved in includes topics of great Constitutional import.

The Colorado Attorney General's Office is a dynamic public law office that does incredibly interesting and challenging work. The 435 men and women who work in the Department of Law are talented and dedicated public servants, and it is my honor to be associated with them. I am looking forward to meeting the many challenges the office will face in the next two years."

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